

Social Happenings

Miss Johnston To Marry Mr. Boerth December 21



Mr. Boerth & Miss Johnston

Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Johnston of Elba announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Nancy Rebecca Johnston, to Scott Robert Boerth, son of Dr. and Mrs. Robert C. Boerth of Mobile, AL.

The bride-elect is a 1984 graduate of Elba High School. She has attended Troy State University. She currently resides in Chico, California and is a student at California State University, Chico. Kelly is pursuing interests in biological sciences and biochemistry.

Darren is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. James Thomas, Mr. Ouis Smith and the late Mrs. Ouis Smith, all of Elba.

Darren is a 1987 graduate of Elba High School. He has attended Enterprise State Junior College and Butte College. He is currently working for Duckbeck, Inc. and is in the delayed entry program of the United States Air Force.

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Miss Lena Fuller To Be Honored With Reception

The children and parents of Mrs. Lena Fuller are hosting a reception in her honor, Sunday, October 26th from 11:00 until 2:00. The event will be at the Elba Adult Club located at 834 N. Troy Highway in Elba.

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Miss Bowen To Wed Mr. Anderson October 18th

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bowen of Kalamazoo, MI, announce the engagement of their daughter Melissa Leigh to Mark Stanley Anderson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Huey Anderson of New Brockton, AL.

The bride is the granddaughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. H.A. Bowen of Kalamazoo and the late Mr. Orville Naddox of Kalamazoo.

She graduated from First Assembly Christian School, and is attending Southern Christian College, Lakeland, FL, where she is majoring in Early Childhood Development.

The future groom is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Layton of Enterprise and Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Anderson of New Brockton, AL.

He is a graduate of New Brockton High School, New Brockton and Enterprise Junior College in Enterprise. He is presently attending Southern Christian College in Lakeland and plans to enter law school.

The wedding will be held October 18, at 7:00 in the evening at the First Assembly of God in Kalamazoo, MI.

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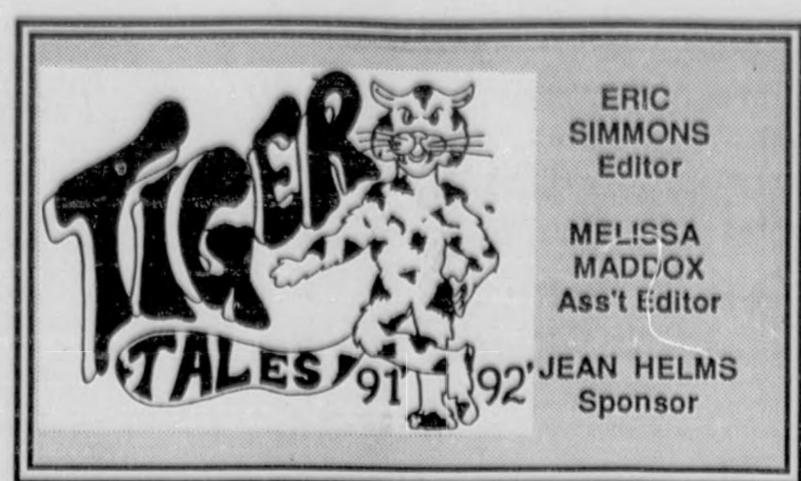
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**Views From
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By Ricky Mularz

I thought October had just started and that we still had to get through Halloween and Thanksgiving before Santa came to town; however, my girls are watching TV on Saturday mornings and all I've been hearing is "I want that" and "Daddy, I need that." I try to change the subject and usually tell'em that if they're good they may get what they want, but so far they just watch the commercials and make mental notes. I'm sure the worst is yet to come!

ELBA TIGERS DROP HEARTBREAKER TO PIKE COUNTY

I told Coach Wood one day last week that I was dreading the Elba-Pike County football game because for the first time in many years I honestly didn't think the Tigers had a chance to win. He just laughed and said we thought if the team played well that Elba would win the game. I guess that shows why he's the coach and I just write sports!

The Elba Tigers played their hearts out Friday night in the 7-6 loss to Pike County, and while it went down as a loss in the books, there was no way the Elba fans could have been more proud. The Elba offense was led by the highly-ranked Bulldogs on even terms throughout the game and when the game was on the line in the closing minutes, it was the Tigers that rose to the challenge and marched downfield for the potential winning field-goal. Elba's players proved to themselves and to all in attendance that they are not a 1-4 team, and if the players will use the heartbreakin' loss as a rallying point to prove they can play the best in the state, the loss will be forgotten.

Elba may have been a 1-3 team before the game, but the players showed what they could do Friday night when they play well and now they know what they are capable of. I for one think the Tigers aren't the same team now they were last week and I'm looking forward to the rest of the season!

Now to the game...I was going to say about the controversial extra-point try is to ask why? The ref under the goal mouthed the kick was good and even went and told the other official that the kick was good, only to be overruled. It just seems to me that the ref under the goal should have at least had some say in the matter, or else he should have gone and got a soft kiss during the extra-point try and let the other refs make the call. Which is what happened.

The Elba offense was crippled going into the game with Greg Thigpen out for the year and Marcus Tyson limping with a injury, but Teddy Burks came in at tailback and really showed some desire and talent as he time and again butted heads with the Pike County defense. Burks ran hard, held on to the football after hard hits and also showed he could catch the football with a big catch late in the game. Perry Stinson saw more action than the running back, which is good, because he is the one who deserves to remember the running of Anthony Brooks. Stinson displayed good moves and power and gave the Tigers a boost on the offensive side of the ball. The Elba offensive line has been much maligned due to inexperience, but Friday night came through and had perhaps their best game of the year against what will undoubtedly be their toughest opponent of the season. After five games no players are inexperienced and maybe what we saw Friday night proved it.

On defense, the Tigers played hard every down and except for one pass shut down the dangerous Pike County offense. The defense played hard against the run, played well against the pass (most of the time) and refused to let Pike County take control of the game. When you hold Pike County to only seven points you have accomplished something, and the Tiger fans can be proud. I play for the Elba-Pike County game because it caught my eye and I like Hunter Hudson, who moved from end to linebacker and really shined in the thick of things in the middle and Bryce Phillips, who played hard, always, and gave it every ounce of energy and desire he had.

If there is a minus in the game, besides the obvious loss, it may be that for the second time in three games, the Tigers played hard enough to win, but Coach Wood and the Elba fans feel the team played as well as ever but the coach had ever coached to still lose, and then Friday night he said the team gave it all they had and more, but lost again. The 1991 Elba Tigers need something good to happen, and pretty darn soon, if they hope to salvage something out of the season besides just talk about how close they came, but lost. The Tigers have to learn from the mistakes they made Friday night (like two big turnovers), kicked first half drives and the defensive lapse in the Pike County score and the same team that they can play against anybody when they play well.

However, just because Elba played well Friday night doesn't mean they'll play well this week and defeat Georgiana. The Tigers can win against any team left on their schedule, but coming close against Luverne or almost beating Pike County won't get it done. The score will be 0-0 when they start every game left and Elba will have to go out and play well to win the game. Maybe the players have learned the lesson, we'll find out this week!

ANOTHER SHUTOUT FOR THREE COFFEE COUNTY TEAMS

For the second time in three weeks the three county teams all bit the dust, and after five weeks of the season the combined records of the county teams stands at 4-11. Not exactly the best of times!

NEW BROCKTON (2-3) got shelled by Goshen and the Gamecocks suddenly look very average after a 2-0 start. The Gamecocks are short in numbers and experience, but should be getting better after five tough ball-

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games. What at one time looked like a big season has turned sour for the Gamecocks.

ZION CHAPEL (1-4) was supposed to have an easy time with wireless Coffee Springs; however, the Rebels may have got caught reading the headlines after a narrow loss to powerhouse McKenzie and thought they had to do something to whip the Gamecocks. Reckon that the Rebels' players when the score started and have even less now, not included a host of walking wounded. The Rebels may have to alter their plans and simply try to survive!

KINSTON (1-4) got whipped soundly by Houston Academy and many in attendance wondered after the game if the Bulldogs have folded their tents after only five games. A lack of enthusiasm and spirit was evident before, during and after the game, and unless the Dogs get excited about the sport in a hurry, more bad times may be just around the corner!

PREP SEASON TAKING SHAPE AFTER FIVE WEEKS OF ACTION

The high school football season reached the halfway mark Friday night, and after five weeks of action things are beginning to clear up a little in all six classes. Here's what I've noticed...

CLASS 1A - Courtland may still be ranked #1 and favored to make it four straight state titles; however, this year there are more challengers than ever to take the crown off the heads of the Chiefs. Ariton (5-0) and McKenzie (5-0) are both steaming past the others as the top two. Lee (4-1) and Cedar Bluff have also manhandled all challengers. Teams to forget? How about Frisco City (0-5), Vina (0-4), G.W. Long (1-4) and John (0-5).

CLASS 2A - Hazlewood has remained atop the polls all year despite an early loss, but they too have real challengers as they try to make it four straight. The top challengers are to play in the next five weeks: Demopolis (9-0), Loris (unranked on the strength of five wins) and Reagon (5-0).

CLASS 3A - Dadeville is still ranked #1 and favored to make it five straight. The Panthers got their first win last week and have to be looking forward to the next five weeks against the Elba Tigers. The Panthers are always a lot tougher at home and will play the Tigers tough until the end; however, this week is the week the Tigers finally begin to show their teeth!

ELBA VS. GEORGIANA

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ELBA 19 GEORGIANA 8

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RED LEVEL 32 KINSTON 7

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TOUCHDOWN TIGERS!

The Bulldogs rolled to the state championship; however, after an impressive 5-0 start against this year, Straight is now a team to fear, especially after outscoring the Leopards 11-0. If they can do that, they will be a threat to the state title.

ZION CHAPEL VS. BRANTLEY

The Panthers got their first win last week against previous wireless Caf-fee Springs and if they do the same this week they will make the season for

the Bulldogs. Zion Chapel is banged up, big time, and more than a little short-handed. However, they should still have more than enough to handle the Dogs!

ZION CHAPEL 38 BRANTLEY 13

OTHER PICKS:

Ariton 45, Flora 0, Demopolis 27, Autauga 14, Escambia 6, Andalusia 13, Blount 34, Escambia 6, Andalusia 13, Monroe 13, Carrollton 32, Hatch 16, Lee 28, Spring Hill 20, Wicksburg 20, Coffsboro 28, Frisco City 0, Johnson 27, Essex 6, Samson 28, Houston Academy 7, Goshen 30, Long 12, Dallas County 27, Maplesville 13, Monroeville 20, Ariton 42, Calhoun 7, Enterprise 28, Moseley 17, Opelika 18, Lee 20, Piedmont 45, St. Clair County 8, Luverne 50, Highland Home 0, Leroy 45, Marengo 0, Receton 13, Pike County 48, Bullock County 6

S P O R T S

Elba Tigers looking to snap three game losing streak Friday night against Georgiana Panthers

The Elba Tigers will be hoping to put an end to a three-game losing streak Friday night when they travel to Georgiana to battle the Georgiana Panthers.

Elba will carry a 1-4 record into the contest, including three straight losses to Luverne, Oпп, and Pike County, while Georgiana will also bring in a 1-4 slate, but had and played well enough to win. I was very disappointed for them that slowed us down a few other times.

The outcome wasn't what it could have been."

"On offense we tried take advantage of what we had, but we got eliminated," said Wood. "We had the ball, but not success playing the ball, but not success getting the ball off the scoreboard. We had a couple of big turnovers that stopped the game and made some penalties that slowed us down a few other times.

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University.

She moved from Alabama to Cincinnati
in 1956, and she is involved in
numerous activities: Kennedy
High School Board of Education;
Cincinnati Charter Committee, and
various organizations, Cincinnati's
Charter Committee, and various
organizations, such as Jack and Jill of
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Mims developed a successful
Black History Program, Brotherhood
Program and Shakespeare Festival at
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Mims says, "Teachers always
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Her literary works include,
"The Tenor House," "Bridges to
Freedom" and "The Black Money's
Agony." She is married to Julius
Williams, a machine tool operator/
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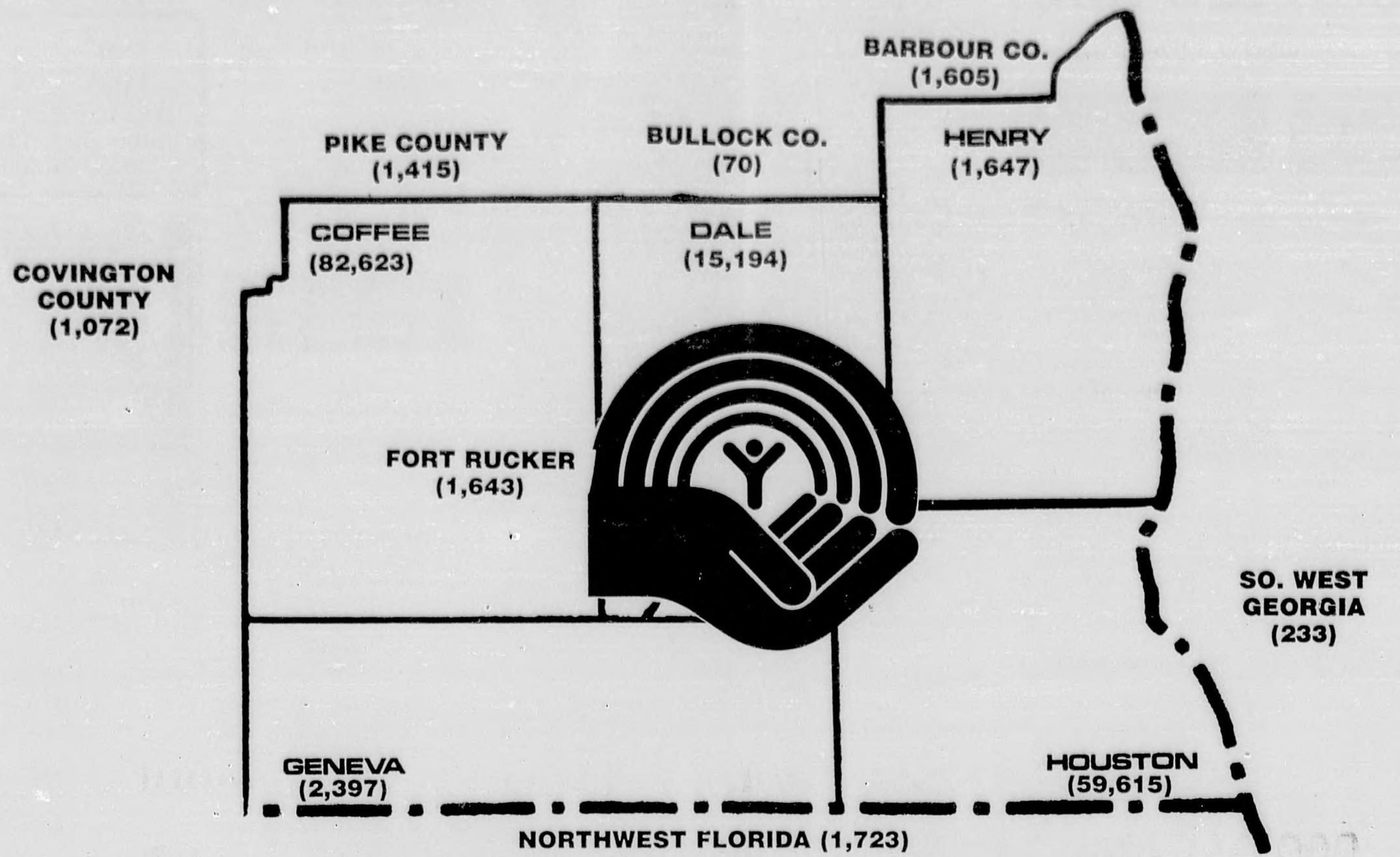
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COUNTY ROAD 14 TO RE-OPEN SOON-BRIDGES NEAR COMPLETION

Commission's books up-to-date & ready for audit

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Coffee County Commission Chairman Billy Eagerton and County Administrator Wilson Mobley said the county's books are up to date and auditable.

In Monday morning's county commission meeting, Eagerton said, "The books have been redone completely and we are ready for an audit."

"All books are up-to-date as of October 13th," said Mobley.

"We went through our books and had a lot of problems there (in the books)...the books were just not accurate," said Eagerton.

After finding a lot of problems with the way the books had been kept in the past and even presently, Eagerton, Mobley and the commission office staff went back and completely reworked the books for the new year.

New bookkeeping procedures as well as controls have been implemented in the commission office and are presently in full force.

Eagerton said that state auditors worked closely with the commission office staff in setting up the new system.

"We've got about three people there that are checking each other," said Eagerton. "Therefore we think that we've got a lot better control now."

Eagerton continued, "You can never say that something like this (the Ammons situation) might never happen again, but we think we're at the point that at the end of the year we would find it (a discrepancy) with the checks and balances we have now."

County Engineer Mark Pool asked that the commissioners award bid #1 to Southern Concrete Products, delivery to the county. Their delivered bid prices were as follows: #78 @ \$11.29 per ton; #6 @ \$11.19 per ton; #5 @ \$11.19 per ton; and Class II @ \$13.99 per ton.

On bid #1, picked up by county trustee in the amount, Pool asked that the bid be awarded to both Southeast and Dravo with Southeast being the primary supplier and Dravo the secondary.

The commissioners voted in agreement with Pool's recommendation.

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